

Musical Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Advent Liturgy – lighting of the candle

Hymn #119 Hope is a star (verse 4)

Opening Hymn #143 Infant holy, Infant lowly

Prayers of Approach, Confession and The Lord's Prayer

Merciful God, in your gracious presence

we confess our sins and the sins of this world.

Although we have found love in Christ, we have not loved as you love us and we have too often been careless with our words, our bodies, and how we treat others and your world. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Heal us, forgive us and set us free to serve you in the world

as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ,

who taught us to pray saying,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

**Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.**

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Music Ministry

Hymn #109 All earth is waiting

Family Focus

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Responsive Psalm 80:1-7

Hear us, Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock.

You who sit enthroned between the cherubim, shine forth before

Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh.

Awaken your might; come and save us.

**Restore us, O God; make your face shine on us,
that we may be saved.**

How long, Lord God Almighty, will your anger smolder
against the prayers of your people?

**You have fed them with the bread of tears;
you have made them drink tears by the bowlful.**

You have made us an object of derision to our neighbours,
and our enemies mock us.

**Restore us, God Almighty; make your face shine on us,
that we may be saved.**

Luke 1:46-55

Mary's Song – The Magnificat

And Mary said: "My soul magnifies the Lord

and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant.

From now on all generations will call me blessed,

for the Mighty One has done great things for me—
holy is his name.

His mercy extends to those who fear him,

from generation to generation.

He has performed mighty deeds with his arm;

he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts.

He has brought down rulers from their thrones

but has lifted up the humble.

He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away

empty. He has helped his servant Israel,

remembering to be merciful to Abraham and his descendants forever,

just as he promised our ancestors".

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Message: Magnify

Hymn #164 O little town of Bethlehem

Invitation to the Offering

Doxology #79

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him all creatures here below

Praise Him above ye heavenly host

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

Offertory Prayer

Mission Moment

Prayers of the People

Closing Hymn #148 It came upon a midnight clear

Benediction

Benediction Song: Go Now In Peace

Musical Postlude

More Announcements

- Charitable Donations may be made to Lucknow Presbyterian Church by E-transfer at lpcfin@hurontel.on.ca
* Mailing address is required for a Tax Receipt. *
- If you, or someone you know, would like to be baptized, please speak with Rev. Robert.
- In 2025, we are planning the Sacrament of Holy Baptism for infants and adults, and the Reception of New Members. If you, or someone you know, would like to be baptized, or become a Member of the congregation, speak with your elder and/or Rev. Robert.

Lucknow Presbyterian Church

December 22, 2024

Minister: Rev. Robert Royal



Announcements

- Welcome to the Fourth Sunday of Advent
- Family Faith – Sundays at 9:30am.
- TODAY: Soup and Sandwich after church. Donations support the 'Child to Camp' project. All welcome.
- Christmas Eve Joint Service - South Kinloss PC
December 24th at 7:00pm
- Final 2024 Sunday Service Joint Service - Lucknow PC Sunday, December 29th at 10:00am
- December 25 - 1:30 to 4 p.m. WMS hosting a Christmas Day Drop-in, refreshments, games, and fellowship.
- December 29 - Dianne will pick up and deliver our December donations for the North Huron Community Foodshare.
- December 30: 1 to 2:45 p.m. Lucknow Messy Church is sponsoring public skating. Everyone welcome. Cookies and hot chocolate/apple cider for snack.